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## LAGO PENSIONERS ORGANIZE

SAN NICOLAS—Over 1000 Lago pensioners met in the Bonaire Club Sunday morning where a Small Commission of pensioners under the guidance of Mr. Carlos Bislip and Mr. Elias Fingal

representing the Commission informed them about the benefits they are entitled to and the effects the shutdown of Lago has on those benefits. During the meeting the pen-

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Deputy van der Kuyp

THE HAGUE—When he arrived at Schiphol airport Tuesday Deputy of Oil Affairs John van der Kuyp told reporters that the Aruban authorities are currently having talks with 3 groups who are interested in the eventual take-over of the Lago refinery. Deputy van der Kuyp is in Holland to discuss several aid and assistance matters in the e-

## THREE GROUPS INTERESTED IN LAGO

vent that Exxon decides to dismantle the Lago refinery. According to van der Kuyp, at the moment a Venezuelan-American group, an Arabian group and a Dutch-Arabian-Indonesian group are interested in taking over the refinery. He said that the Venezuelan-American groups is interested in taking over the refinery under the condition that exploration and exploitation rights be combined with the operation of the refinery. In the meantime

the Exxon Corporation has made an offer to the Executive Council of Aruba to take over the refinery under certain conditions. Due to the fact that those conditions are confidential no more information could be given at the moment, said van der Kuyp. However, Exxon guarantees that the refinery will not be dismantled before the beginning of June this year. Exxon has also requested permission to establish a new

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## The Last Farewell



On the stroke of midnight Sunday, March Lago bade its last farewell to Aruba with five blasts on its fire alarm siren. Each blast represented twelve years, adding up to a total of sixty years of oil refining and "a partner in the progress of Aruba". It is difficult to express in words what Lago meant to Aruba, for Lago meant something personal to everyone who ever worked in the refinery in particular and to the people of Aruba in general. An old man who worked for Lago in its early days put it this way "the sound of the last horn brought tears to my eyes, it sounded to me like the church bell tolling at the funeral of an old beloved friend".



ORANJESTAD—Grace Maduro and Drs. Nico van Hoorn (standing) of the project Bureau Status Aparte, the instance that is working on the new governmental structure met with employees of the Central Government and the Island Government information services to instruct them about their job in the new form of government which will go into effect on January 1, 1986. On that date all central government departments will be transferred to the island government and the two information services will be combined. It is the intention of the bureau that by July all public employees will be informed about their job in the new governmental structure.





Editor's Corner

# AFTER ALL IS SAID AND DONE

Since the announcement was made on October 31 that Lago would cease operation on March 31, we have been living in a state of anxiety and frustration. In spite of the step-by-step developments which gradually led to the final episode, there was still hope that something would turn up that would bring about a change in the decision to close Lago. We sought consolation in all sorts of rumors up to the time of wishful thinking and illusions is past, and after all is said and done we are now faced with the cold facts of reality. Lago is no more! The question is what now? The reality of the present situation in Aruba calls for a drastic change in our way of life. The closure of Lago and the effect it will have on the economy of the island is sufficient reason for us to realize that we must put an end to the happy-go-lucky and free-spending habits of the past. Regardless of how many austerity measures the government may institute they will be useless if the population does not acknowledge the fact that the financial condition of the island is precarious and that a drastic change is necessary. There have been similar cases in other countries. Following are just two examples. The residents of a city in the U. S.A. realized that they had to work for free for some time until their city got back on its feet again. They cleaned their streets; dumped their own garbage; drove the ambulance; organized a voluntary fire-fighting team (like Lago had), and did many other things that the city would have had to pay for. Some years ago the employees of Delta Airlines contributed half of their salary until the financial condition of the airline improved. There are many ways by which we can contribute personally to ensure the survival of our beloved island. We are sure that there are many ex-Lago employees who could apply their acquired skills and capabilities by training youths or by giving lectures in schools and/or community centers etc.. There are so many ways to help. For instance people living in the same neighborhood could organize car pools. They could take it by turn to carry each other to work or go shopping to gether in order to save on gasoline, or we could take each others children to school alternately. We could also contribute to the efficiency of public services by paying our utility bills in time in order to prevent long waiting lines, etc. etc. We should be able to do all this, this will show the utmost love we have for our beloved Aruba. If there was ever a time to practice the much quoted axiom "do not ask what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country", the time is now. It is a well-known fact that elaborate partying and heavy drinking is a favorite past time in Aruba. Those are two of our social characteristics. However, our present economic condition can no longer afford such extravagance, and such habits should be curtailed and moderated.

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Well people could tink on things. A fella tell Willy dat is when Lago was here we should ah be handlin Yankee dollars, not atah Lago done gone.

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Willy hear dat de Senator an' de Guvner ah St. Martin in de ropes. Well de old people dem say dat two man crab can't live in one hole.

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A number seller tell Willy dat she use to get plenty sale by Lago gate, but she say now she prosperity blite.

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A fella say dat even de pigeons dem goin' miss Lago becausin now dey ain't got nobody to feed dem in dere.

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A old lady tell Willy dat she goin rite back way

she start ouk from. She say she goin' back to she coal pot, she goose, she keroseen lamp an' she bath pan an' scrub board.

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Well Willy nevah hear more. A fella say he goin' start worryin' bouk Lago gone when he come back from St. Martin carnival.

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Well de Venezuelans dem always use to say dat we is "brothers" but now it loik we ain't even cousins no more!!

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Prime Minister says:

## STANDARD OF LIVING MUST BE REDUCED

WILLEMSTAD—  
 "One thing is certain, if Shell closes, it will be a disaster for the Antilles and for Curacao in particular", said Prime Minister Maria Liberia Peters during a television broadcast after she returned from Holland last week. She pointed out that there are very few countries in the world the size of ours that would be able to absorb the shock of the consequence of the closure of an industrial plant of such magnitude. Even countries larger than the Netherlands Antilles would feel it severely, thus is the position of Curacao where Shell contributes more than 30 percent of the national income. The Prime Minister said that on the other hand it must be taken into consideration that even if the efforts of the combined forces give positive results we

would be left with a Shell of less magnitude than the one we have now. She said that there are certain aspects that must be attended to. They are among others: operational expenses and personnel which must be substantially reduced. "The number of



Shell employees and contractor employees working on Shell premises must be reduced. The annual 28 million guilders in minimum tax which the government receives from Shell will

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## CLASH BETWEEN DEMOCRATIC PARTY AND GOVERNOR RALPH RICHARDSON



RALPH RICHARDSON

SAN NICOLAS—  
 Reports reaching here

from St. Maarten say that the Democratic Party of that island is considering the possibility of sending a resolution to the Central Government protesting the immigration policy of Lt. Governor Ralph Richardson. The party is of the opinion that Richardson's immigration policy and his treatment of strangers will endanger

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Mr. Antonio Cavallaro

## LAGO EMPLOYEES PRAISED FOR DILLIGENCE

**SAN NICOLAS--**  
During the Lago farewell cocktail party at the Aruba Concorde Hotel Lago President Mr. Antonio Cavallaro thanked the Lago employees for their service given to the refinery throughout the years. "La

go employees have shown extra-ordinary spirit during these difficult times that have impressed every one. I am convinced that the sence of duty, dilligen

ce and self-respect demonstrated will help them to face the future with confidence and optimism, he said. Mr. Cavallaro also read telegrams from the

senior vice-president of Exxon, Lee Raymond (a former Lago president) and Exxon executives Robert Wilhelmi and Juan Yanes.



**ORANJESTAD--**The Aruba Numismatic Museum received its 10,000 visitor on Wednesday, march 26. The honor went to Ingrid Boezem, a pupil of the Filomena College of San Nicolas. The museum attracts local visitors, schoolchildren and tourists. The collection of coins exhibited in the museum is the property of Mr. Mario Odor, an Aruban who dedicates his time to history and folkore. The pupils were accompanied by their teacher Mr. Ellis Mc. Neil



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## COOPERATION BETWEEN K.L.M. AND ARUBA IMPORTANT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM

**ORANJESTAD--**  
During his recent visit to Holland, the head of the Tourism Office, Dr. Rory Arends, together with representatives of the Aruba House met with Mr. Van der Sluys, coordinator of tours for North

and South America for K.L.M. The close cooperation between K.L.M. and Aruba exists since 1983. The Dutch company registered an increase in flights to Aruba. With the promotion of recreative attractions like windsurfing and diving, undou-

btedly Aruba could attract many more tourists from Holland and the rest of Europe. These two facilities are promoted in the Aruba Free Spree Package. This coming summer K.L.M. will operate three flights per week from Amsterdam to Aruba. Two flights will be non-stop from Amsterdam to Aruba and one will be Amsterdam-Caracas-Aruba. K.L.M. intends to introduce a tariff of 1550 Dutch guilders nafl. 800,00 for a return trip from Amsterdam to Aruba, this depends on the advice of the Commission for the study of tariffs. Dr. Arends is of the opinion that gradually we are breaking the barriers which had a negative influence on the development of tourism from Europe to Aruba and he recommends that the cooperation between K.L.M. and the government continue for the development of our tourism industry.

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# Mr. Cajus Roberto Boekhout Celebrated his 25 years in service



ORANJESTAD—Above, Cajus Roberto Boekhout, who celebrated his 25th anniversary at government Post Office, receiving a gift from Mr. Dijkhoff (Aruba's General Postmaster). Also present were Mrs. Boekhout & her 2 daughters Gianina & Lisette; Mr. M. Croes (RVD) Mr. Koolman, Mr. Dirksz & Mr. Quilotte.

# ARUBA PROMOTED IN U.S. JAYCEES MAGAZINE

ORANJESTAD— "Future" the magazine of the Jaycees organization in the United States, published a report about Aruba in its edition of September/October 1984. The report covered the International Jaycees Conference held in Aruba in May last year. Besides information about the conference the magazine described the Aruban hospitality which it said was a great support to the development of the

conference. The magazine is sent to 150,000 Jaycees in the United States and to 70 members organizations around the world. Aruba was described as the ideal spot for conferences, with its snow white beach

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# FIRE IS A SYMBOL OF NEW LIFE ...

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guished, a procession with the lighted Paschal candle proceeds up the aisle to the altar. In the middle of the church aisle to the altar. In the middle of the church aisle, the candles carried by the members of the procession are lit, and as the candle arrives before the altar the lights are turned on, and candles carried by the congregation are also lit from the blessed candle. The Paschal candle is placed on its stand and with the congregation still standing the priest sings the Exultet or Easter Proclamation, or the Praise of the Candle; having the candle before him, the altar on his right and the nave of the church on his left.

The blessing of the new fire and the blessing of the Paschal candle together with the consecration of the baptismal water (if done during the ceremony) all show the effects of our The entire Paschal mystery means the renewal of creation as a whole; that is the normal and logical consequence of man's redemption. Since man was set in the middle of the world and asked to give names to creatures around him, they were to be his servants. Once man acquires a new existence as a servant of God, the creatures around him are likewise renewed and begin once again to serve. They

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ORANJESTAD—The first Jumbo 747 of the Colombian airline Avianca landed in Aruba Sunday night. The plane brought 240 passengers to spend the Easter Holidays in Aruba. Captain Fabio Rendon, co-pilot Alejandro Jimenez and engineer Ramon Vinas were received by Jaime Salcedo Barraza, representative of Avianca in Aruba and Jerry Franca of the Aruba Tourist Office in Bogota.

## Clash Between .. Cont. from page 2

the tourist industry of St. Maarten. Political observers believe that if the Central Government neglects the resolution chances are that the Solidarity Fund problem solved by St. Maarten at the recent Summit Conference might be jeopardized. According to the report, it is an open secret in St. Maarten that the relationship between the D.P. leader Mr. Claude Watney (the Senator) and Governor Richardson is far from ideal. It appears that although Richardson holds the highest governmental position on the island Watney's attitude clearly indicates where the power lies. The leader of the opposition S.P.M. party Vance James Jr. said that the D.P. is using "Beticolike" tactics.

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company in Aruba, the Esso Petrolera, an affiliate permission to establish a new company in Aruba, the Esso Petrolera, an affiliate of Exxon. The company will import oil products to supply the local market. No permission will be given until an agreement is reached on the profit margin that Esso Petrolera should make on the imported oil products.

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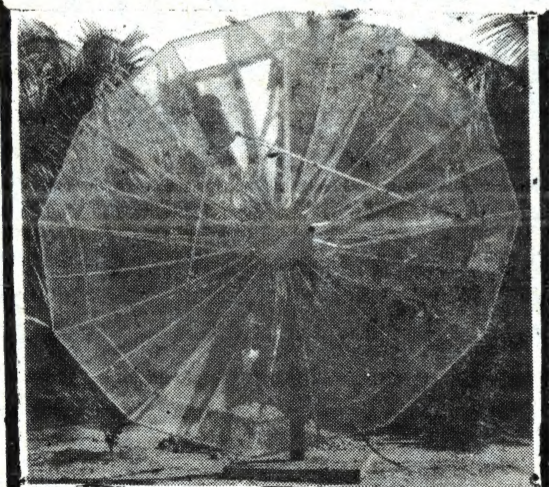
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# HEALTH SYNDROME OF UNEMPLOYMENT

-Taken from the International Labour Organization bulletin-

The spate of suicides and riots in unemployment-stricken towns has recently brought to public attention one feature of the human response to massive and prolonged joblessness. But acts of desperation and protest are just the tip of the iceberg. Much of the human response to unemployment is hidden. And when it surfaces in the form of physical and mental disorders the cause and effect link often goes unrecognized. What needs to be understood is that the loss of

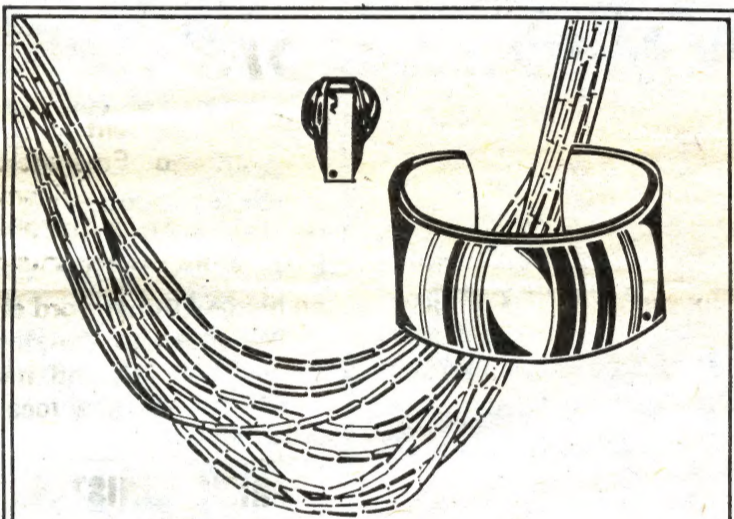
employment is followed by psychological phases of adjustment and sometimes long-lasting emotional and physical problems according to ILO's Encyclopedia of Occupational Health and Safety. It reports that the shock of being out of work is first met with a denial of the situation mixed with a feeling of relief and sense of holiday. The unemployed worker gets busy doing chores that had been postponed because of work routine, such as house repairs and decoration

or car maintenance. This is followed by a phase of increasing distress as the ex worker is confronted with the seriousness of his plight, when he successively fails to regain employment no matter how hard he tries. Then comes the third stage when the unemployed worker has resigned himself to his fate, dropping his efforts to obtain a job and curtailing his social interests,

while spending most of his time at home in front of the television set. These phases are obviously an abstraction and there are many exceptions to the rule. The cumulative effect on health depends on an interplay of a number of factors. These include the worker's past job record, previous experience with unemployment, age, marital status and chances of re-employment

t. Stress associated with redundancy is suspected of causing higher levels of blood pressure, cholesterol and uric acid. People become more emotional and irritable. Some shun the outside world and even their families. Others develop ulcers or heart conditions. The encyclopedia cites studies carried out by American Professor M.H. Brenner, co-rela-

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# Health Syndrome ...

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ting economic indices such as employment rates and declines in real incomes, and health indices indicating mortality and suicide rates as well as incidence of heart diseases and mental disorders. His conclusions: "Societies which experience increases in unemployment of 1 million over 5 years are likely to have 50,000 more deaths from general illness, 167,000 more deaths from heart disease and 63,900 more admissions into psychiatric wards than they would have

without high levels of prolonged joblessness". No less worrying are findings of a British pilot study of a sample of unemployed workers and their families. Some husbands and wives surveyed showed clinical features of moderate to severe depression, taking anti-depressant tranquilizers or sleeping pills. People who had experienced previous psychomatic disorders such as asthma, psoriasis, gastrointestinal disorders, insomnia and headaches and had not been borde-

red by them for some time, had recurrence of these illnesses. The being ill, role appeared to be something many of the breadwinners adopted as a subconscious way of justifying their joblessness, especially those who irrationally blamed themselves for being out of work. Handicapped people who had managed to keep their disabilities at bay through their working lives suffered a serious and rapid decline in their physical condition. The children of the families also suffered from parental performance at school, more incidents of truancy and wandering as well as stealing from their mothers handbag. Other re-

searchers have found association between unemployment and minor psychiatric morbidity in adults as well as in school-leavers, and that unemployment and employment seem to be the major contributory forces in determining well-being. Those at greatest risk of developing health problems appear to be the jobless in their fifties, the disabled, those with previous records, of physical and mental ill-health, the non-achieving school-leavers and those in ethnic minorities. The root cause of all this will not be cured in hospitals, nor by doctors' prescriptions. Nonetheless members of the medical profession "must be alerted to the fact that un-

employment can manifest itself in the form of illness, and be aware of their educative and counseling role. Many of the unemployed are oblivious to the possible health effects the experience of unemployment has in store for them and their families and preparing them for it may have preventing results. "This is particularly important in view of the finding that unemployment leaves scars which remain even after re-employment in terms of irreparable damage to self-confidence and self-esteem, the Encyclopedia concludes.

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## Change in the Netherlands Antilles Jaycees Board of Directors

On January 18, 1985 the Netherlands Antilles Jaycees installed its new Board of Directors for the year 1985. However, due to the shutdown of the Lago Refinery, the 1985 National President of the Jaycees Nelo Emerencia, who has

been employed at Lago, will be leaving Aruba to start a new job in Holland. Effective April 1 Mr. Tito Sapuana, currently Executive Vice President will become the President of the National Board of Directors. The remainder of the Board will stay the

same. The current President, Mr. Nelo Emerencia swore the new President at 10:30 a.m. at the airport before his departure on March 29th. A word of success goes to Senator Nelo Emerencia and his family in their new location.

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## PRIME MINISTER SAYS ..

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also be lost in the solution of the present problem. Therefore even if our efforts result in the continuation of Shell in Curacao our standard of living cannot remain at its actual level", said the Prime Minister. "The presence of Shell has made it possible not only for Shell and contractor employees to live at the present level to which we have become accustomed, but for the entire population. The presence of Shell has generated the economic activity in all sectors of the community" she said. The prime minister made an appeal to the population to meditate and visualize the situation and to take into account the future of the younger generation which is our responsibility.



# HUNDREDS OF POLICEMEN SAID ON DRUG TRAFFICKERS

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Drug Enforcement Agency has drawn up a list of hundreds of Mexican police officials thought to be on the payroll of an alleged major drug trafficker, "Newsweek" Magazine reported today.

U.S. agents, the magazine reported, contend that the corruption extends to the uppermost ranks of the Mexican Federal Judicial police and the directorate of Federal Security.

No officer of either force

has yet been indicted for the death of D.E.A. agent Enrique Camarena Salazar and a pilot who had been helping Camarena. Their bodies were found 25 days after their February 7 kidnapping from Guadalajara, Mexico.

# RULES FOR EASTER WEEKEND CAMPERS

ORANJESTAD— As usual many people will spend the Easter weekend on the beaches of Aruba. A general permit has been granted to the public of Aruba to camp during the holidays. However, it is advisable that campers observe certain rules. If one and all comply with the rules everyone will enjoy the holidays without any problems. For instance:

1. Don't put your tent too close to the highway, neither too close to the hotels or other tents. The tent must be at least 10 meters from the highway.
2. The tent must be well constructed, safe and representable, it should not be made of carton.
3. Remember tourist come to Aruba to enjoy their vacation, therefore do not use the hotel facilities, such as chairs, towels and showers.
4. Don't make too much noise with music or play it too late.
5. Don't use the beach as a public toilet, it is bad

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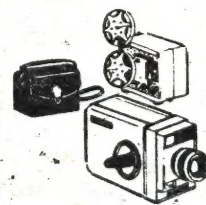
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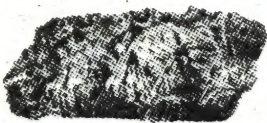


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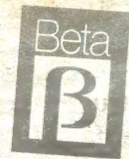
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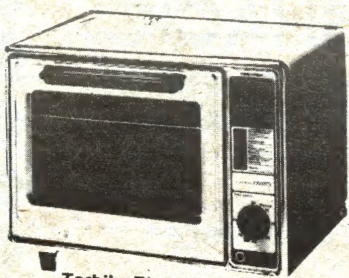


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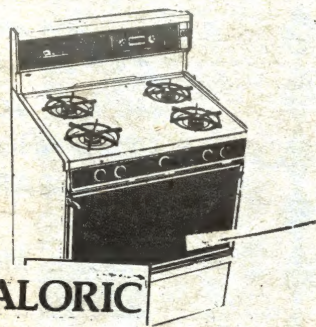
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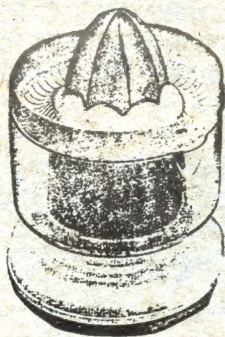


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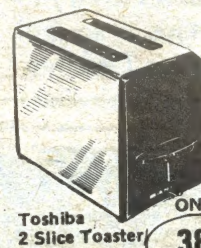
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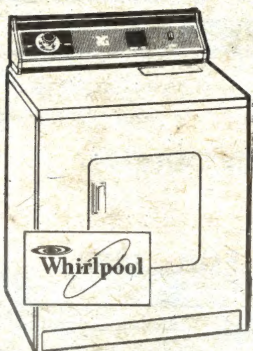
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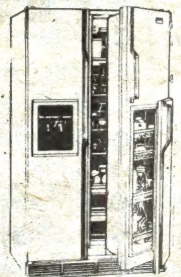
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immediate major medical attention, such as: burns, nail wounds, cuts, abrasions, etc. etc. have occurred. Now "Dial A Nurse" service is also available in Aruba at Tafelberg 11, in San Nicolas. The private nursing service is under the direction of Ms. E.A.

"Dial A Nurse" is to care for sick people at home, whether it is daily, weekly or monthly. The patients also have the option to stipulate the time that they will require attention, and "Dial A Nurse" will procure that there is a nurse available, day or night. The service also provides attention for tourists visiting the island. Hotels may call "Dial A Nurse" anytime and request the service of a qualified nurse. For more information about "Dial A Nurse" phone 45932

Barry and both qualified nurses, and former Lago nurses. "Dial A Nurse" also has several nurses registered. All qualified nurses with no less than 3 years service in the hospital. The aim of



**ORANJESTAD—**The delegation of the Mission of the Institute of High Studies of the Defense of Venezuela visited various local projects: the Aruba Ports Authority N.V. and the Department of Agriculture, the office of Tourism and the Department of Economic Development. The Venezuelans are making a study of the economic facilities of Aruba in relation to a possible form of aid and cooperation by the Venezuelan Government. The visitors were impressed with what they saw.

## LAGO PENSIONERS .. Cont. from front page

sioners were informed about their pension, supplementary Pension Program Group Life Insurance, Protection of income for family and medical insurance for pensioners. They were also informed about the activities the Small Commission, which were a.o. sending letters to Lago, Esso Inter-America, the Executive Council and the Minister of Labor of the Netherlands Antilles. Furthermore the pensioners were also informed about an Association of Lago Pensioners which was established in 1972 but has been inactive for many years. It is the intention of the Small Commission to reactivate the Association in such a way as to create a foundation to take over the pensioners Medical Program which Lago said that it has no intention to continue under its present form. Unfortunately just as the meeting was coming to its most important point there was a technical failure in the microphone and the meeting had to be postponed

until Wednesday, April 3, in the IOWUA Recreation Center. It was remarkable that over 300 signed to become members of the Association of Pensioners even if they didn't get all the necessary information. This is an indication that the Pensioners are strong in their deter-

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ORANJESTAD—Recently the Deputies of Agriculture and their respective advisors met in Aruba. The topic of discussion was the problem of the sale of pork in Aruba and Curacao. The deputies agreed that there must be some sort of protection for the breeding of pigs, which must create employment and prevent the flow of revenue, especially now that we are confronted with socio-economic problems. The topic will be discussed with the Minister of Economic Affairs, Mr. E. Mansur. In picture: Deputy Nelson Oduber with his advisor, Eng. Sylvester Vrolijk the Deputy of Agriculture of Curacao, Mr. H.H.A. Gummarus and his advisors, Eng. R. Winkel and Eng. M. Joubert. Due to unforeseen circumstances the deputy of Bonaire could not be present.

## THREATENING LETTER TO FOREIGNERS

EINDHOVEN/Holland  
A threatening letter was sent to several organizations of minority groups in Eindhoven and surroundings. The anonymous hand-written letter contains threats to foreigners. The police has taken the matter seriously and an investigation was started to determine the source of the letter. According to a police spokesman it is not yet clear if the letter is a serious threat

at or a "tasteless joke". In any case contact was made with the officer of justice Mr. Regelink who will verify if the letter has anything to do with discrimination. The letter, stamped with a swastika, starts with "Dear non-Aryan" and warns foreigners to leave the country "because we racists will attack in a manner more gruesome than ever". The letter was signed "Freyja" "Heil Hitler".

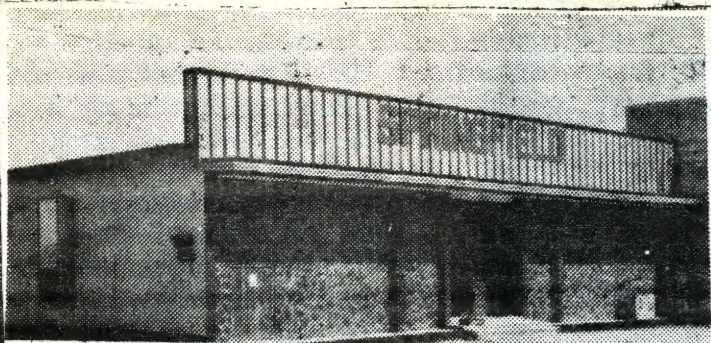
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